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SUBJECT: PROPOSED U.S. REFINERY PROJECT IN IRAN

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1. IN RESPONSE REQUEST MADE REFTEL, EMBASSY MAY INFORM ROHWEDDER THAT MAJOR U.S. FIRM IS CURRENTLY IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIONAL IRANIAN OIL COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF REFINERY IN IRAN. UNDER TERMS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT, MAJOR PORTION OF REFINERY PRODUCT IS EXPECTED TO BE MARKETED IN U.S. AGREEMENT, HOWEVER, DOES NOT CONTAIN ANY PREFERENTIAL TRADE ELEMENT. IRANIAN PRODUCT WILL ENTER U.S. UNDER SAME CONDITIONS AS THAT OF OTHER PETROLEUM PRODUCT IMPORTS.

2. EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT US IS NOT OPPOSED TO GERMAN REFINERY PER SE, BUT ONLY TO PREFERENTIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR DUTY FREE ENTRY INTO EC OF REFINERY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRODUCTS, WHICH IS PART OF TOTAL PACKAGE FRG IS PROPOSING.

WE HAVE NO WISH TO SEE GERMANY CAST IN NEGATIVE LIGHT IN TERMS OF ITS RELATIONS WITH IRAN AND WOULD NOT OBJECT TO GERMAN FIRMS CONDUCTING PURELY COMMERCIAL, NON-PREFERENTIAL ARRANGEMENT SUCH AS U.S. FIRM IS PROPOSING. INGERSOLL UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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